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**RESPONSE
ELECTION/RESTRICTION UNDER 35 USC 121**

The Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C.
U.S.A. 20231

Attention: Robert James Popovics, Group Art Unit 1723

Dear Sir:

**Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/425,234
For: MAINTENANCE CLEANING FOR MEMBRANES
Filed: October 25, 1999
Applicant: Zenon Environmental Inc.**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 8, 2000. The Examiner requires an election between Species I and II.

Applicants elects without traverse the Species I invention, namely claims 1 through 18 inclusive.

Please withdraw Species II, namely claims 19 through 26, without prejudice to applicant's right to file one or more divisional applications.

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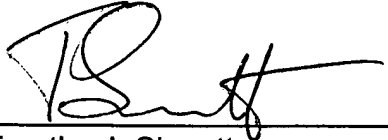
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Respectfully submitted,

Zenon Environment Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Sinnott', is written over a horizontal line.

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